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SEEM LIKELY TO GET THE HONORS

The Cares of a Bishop are Many and Perplexing-Bishop Gaines' Mistakes Church Papers Refuse to Publish Both Sides of the Controversies.

A very prominent delegate who visited the Bishops' Council at Washington said to me, "Doctor, write up what the men should know about events here and have it in The Freeman." I replied, "it will be in our church paper," but he said, "I am aware of that but I want the men to know everything just as it is and you know that no church paper will thus give it." He did not mean to imply that the church papers would not give a truthful report but what he meant is that they could not tell both sides. I could understand this because I have marked off a number of things done which I do not intend to tell to the public. I can and will tell many things that an official editor would not but there are bounds which I set to my pen and beyond which it does not pass.

The church will rejoice to know that Bishop H. M. Turner was able to be present. He walks with a crutch, his leg, arm and tongue are paralyzed. His trouble is hemiplegia due to hemorrhage of the brain. He is certain to be subjected to one or two more attacks within a year or so and cannot, under any circumstances, hope to live more than five years. His presence teaches a lesson that every young minister of the church should forever cherish. Bishop H. M. Turner being at Washington in order to perform his duties as chairman of the Council and to guard the hundreds of interests of the great church exhibits to the young men the stern and self-forgetting spirit of fidelity to duty to which the success of the church is due. The superficial thinkers look upon the bishops as men who have an easy time. The truth is that there are no men in America who have more weight of care than do our bishops. To direct the activities of nearly seven thousand societies and as many pastors, to meet and adjust the thousands of questions that our advanced condition of work present, to preserve harmony and to assure success, require of the bishops labor, thought, sacrifice and wisdom far beyond what the ordinary person is able to appreciate.

Many leading men of the church were present to represent and look after particular interests related to their sections. The Rev. J. A. Johnson, D. D., pastor of the Metropolitan A. M. E. church, this time arose to an appreciation of the occasion in full and bent his energies to make our great church, of which he is pastor, the means of bringing the people in touch with the bishops and general officers. The pastor who knows how, can do much to enlarge the influence of a bishop in the community. The Rev. Dr. Johnson won many compliments and greatly advanced the chances of his friends succeeding in securing for him the promotion to the office of editor of the Review which he would certainly fill most acceptably.

To the extent that those present represented the coming General Conference it is clear that there will be five new bishops elected, two of whom will be expected to serve the Islands and Africa. The bishops seem to be gradually settling on Dr. C. S. Smith for the Island work and many are coming to Bishop Grant's view of Dr. J. A. Johnson for Africa. The election of Dr. M. M. Moore is conceded the election of Dr. T. W. Henderson seems quite likely as does also that of Dr. C. T. Shaffer who appears to have about won to his cause the first district but Drs. Moore, Henderson and Shaffer have to reckon with Drs. Bradwell, Coppin, Roberts, Wade, Jones and Parks.

A leading pastor of the East and one who has stood high as a contributor to the cause of missions was heard to accuse Dr. Parks of gross mismanagement of his department and to advocate the retention of one-half of the Easter Day collections for the home work. It may be that between Drs. Parks, Lee and Cook there will be a lively tussle for the office of missionary secretary. It is understood by many that Bishop Gaines favors the election of Dr. Cook. Some say that Dr. Cook favors the appointment of Bishop Gaines to the first district. Bishop Gaines is the best friend that Dr. Coppin has on the bench yet it is said that Dr. Coppin advises that Bishop Gaines desist from his endeavor to secure the first district and desires the appointment of Bishop Derrick. This accounts, largely, for the renewed popularity of Dr. Coppin.

Bishop Gaines is a much greater and nobler man than what he gets credit for being. In talking of him, I said to Dr. Chappelle: "Doctor, if you and I were in a district under Bishop Gaines for four years we could bring him out as the strongest and most popular bishop of the church." Dr. Chappelle said, "I am sure you are right about that, Bishop Gaines is not understood." There are no two men in the church who have more openly and firmly opposed many actions of Bishop Gaines than have Dr. Chappelle and I but the above is our candid verdict passed in personal but not private conversation.

Bishop Gaines has been a guest at my home and I know of no representative man who is more of a gentleman in deportment and more honest in speech. What Bishop Gaines lacks is true friends who will fearlessly advise him and courageously explain his meaning and defend his deeds. He is having a hot time in Florida and would have been suspended had not the bishops found a way to settle the questions that were raised. Bishop Gaines owes his freedom from this humiliation to Bishop Derrick. Bishop Gaines is more than half right in what he has been trying to do but his methods have been unwise and have brought on controversy that will not end until after May. There are some other bishops who have done more to cause the election of desired delegates than what Bishop Gaines tried to do but the others increased their popularity by this very means while Bishop Gaines got in boiling water. A preacher one time tried to imitate the language of Bishop Turner and was brought before a committee and tried for the use of profane language. You see some can and some can't. Dr. Kershaw who came all of the way from Florida to ask the removal of Bishop Gaines from that work went home perfectly satisfied with what the Bishops' Council had done, so were his friends.

Through these columns the appointment of Bishop Gaines to Florida was opposed, months ago, and just what has happened was predicted. Bishops Derrick and Handy took the same view but were over-ridden, now they are vindicated. The situation in Florida was and is peculiar and a bishop who represents interests so decidedly opposed to what Florida wants could not hope to succeed there.

The failure of Bishop Gaines in Florida does not indicate that he would not be a great success in some other field, He got into the wrong pew, that was all.

It has not been many years ago since Dr. W. D. Cook is said to have sent out a circular called, "The Forerunner," in North Carolina which caused Bishop Turner to get into just such a boiling pot as that out of which his colleagues lifted Bishop Gaines. Bishop Campbell was appointed to act as joint bishop just as Bishops Derrick and Salters are now appointed to act as joint bishops with Bishop Gaines.

Dr. Kershaw declares that if the arrangement are not carried out faithfully that the men of Florida will resort to the more radical methods that are possible and will cause the disqualification of Bishop Gaines to preside.

Some say that Bishop Gaines is determined to pledge the delegates of Florida to Dr. Tyree and that the words of Dr. Moore at Nashville were meant to be oil on the troubled water but that Bishop Gaines wants more than mere words.

Just such controversies are likely to arise at any time when great interests are endangered and men are set in their purpose to defend them, The men of distinction who have been crowded back in Texas may arise and assert themselves as possitively as have the men of Florida. Drs. Taylor, Roberts and Durham and President Burgan of Texas have as much right to come to the front unhindered as have other men more favored.

The next General Conference will break every prearranged slate and will assert its independance.

Dr. Thomas Jackson, of Arkansaw, will be elected secretary; Dr. Flipper, of Georgia, will be chairman of the Episcopal committee. The selection for other positions will be made from the following: five bishops from, M. M. Moore, T. W. Henderson, C. T. Shaffer, C. S. Smith, L. J. Coppin, H. T. Johnson, C. L. Bradwell, C. P. Preston, G. W. Wade, Drs. Connor and Evans Tyree. Business Manager, I. M. Burgan, G. W. Gaines. Editor of Christian Recorder, H. T. Johnson L. H. Reynolds, R. W. Ransom, J. M. Henderson. Editor of the Review, J. A. Johnson, T. W. Jackson, H. T. Kealing and Dr. Sampson. Sunday School Union, W. D Chapelle, J. A. Davis. Financial Secretary, E. W. Lampton, Phil, Hubbard and Dr. Denham. Missionary secretary, H. B. Parks E. W. Lee, W. D. Cook and L. J. Coppin. Dr. W. H. Heard may become a strong candidate. Church extension, W. H. Mixon or a layman. Secretary of Education, I. W. L. Roundtree, J. W. Hawkins and Rev. Graham.

There has never been a period in the history of the church when a better qualified and more fit man has been mentioned for the Bishopric than is Dr. C. T. Shaffer. There has never been mentioned for general office a more truly independent man than is W. D. Chappelle and no suggestion of a man who could represent the highest thought of the church could excell the mention of J. A. Johnson as editor of the Review.

If anything is to be done that aims to actually lay the basis for great work in Africa, it will, however, be shown by following Bishop Grant's hint and electing Dr. J. A. Johnson a bishop and giving him Africa for four years. It is doubtful if the General Conference can take so lofty a view of duty and arise so high above traditions and prejudice. Some fellow like Dr. Fitzpatrick, who is totally unfit, is more likely to be choosen.

A reaction has set in in favor of Dr. C. S. Smith whose election now appears to be quite likely. Well, why not? It is said that Bishop Derrick and others say he is needed. What such men say who are among the strongest advocates of independance and who never try to coerce, is sure to have great weight.

I find that there is a most determined spirit of independance abroad among dele-

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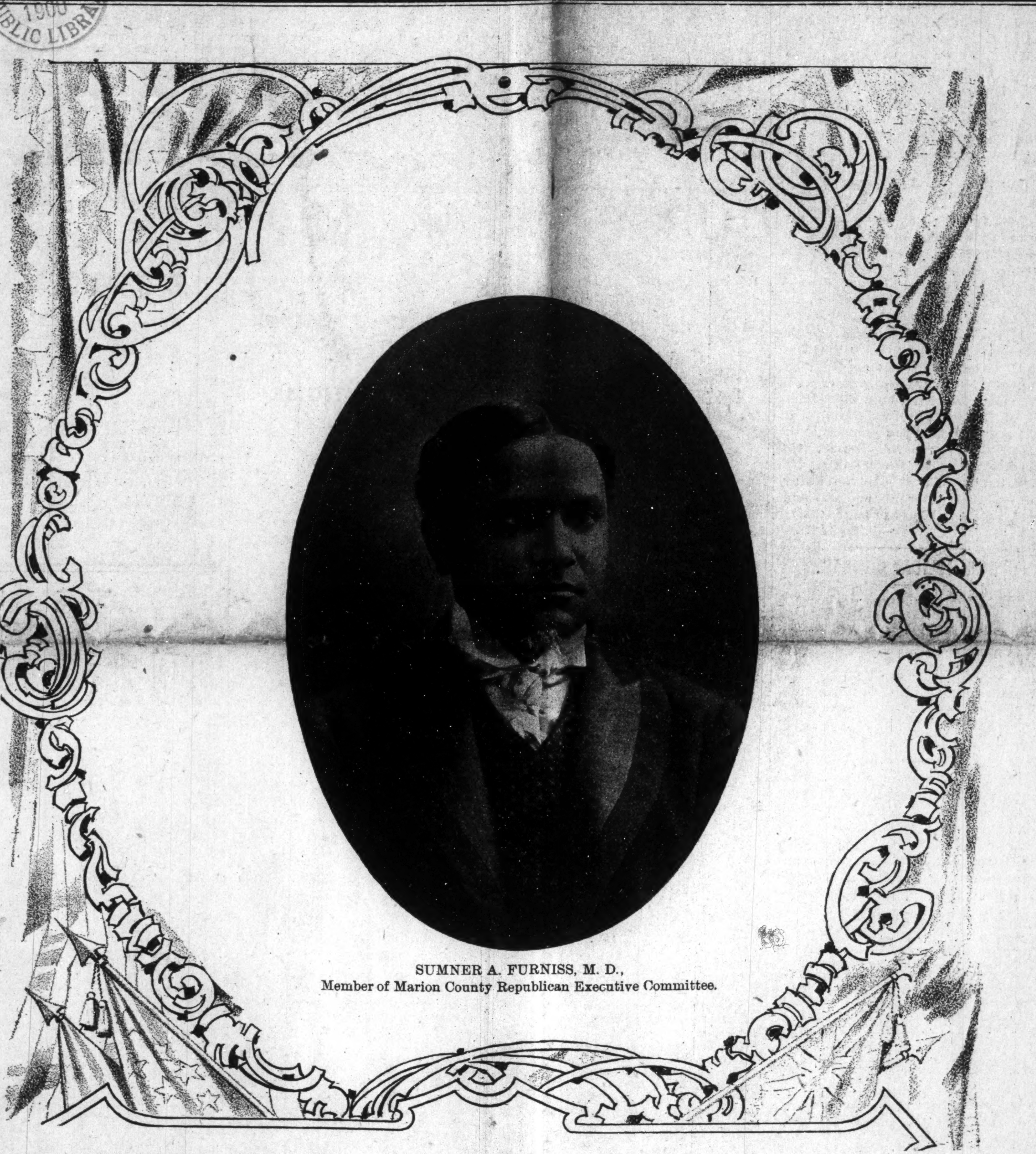

SUMNER A. FURNISS, M. D.,
Member of Marion County Republican Executive Committee.

DR. S. A. FURNISS

THE LEADING RACE PHYSICIAN IN THE STATE OF INDIANA

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An Embodiment of the Possibilities of the Negro--A Member of Several Organizations---Member of Marion County Executive Committee.

The theory advanced by some cynics that the Negro race is "looking backwards" is veritably exploded when we are confronted by such able and progressive men as Dr. Summner A. Furniss, the subject of this sketch. We feel that the field of the Negro Press is vindicated and that its mission is established, when it presents to its thousands of readers such men of the race, young or old, that represent the possibilities of the Negro and the advantages that lie within his domains.

Dr. Sumner A. Furniss first saw the light of day in Jackson Miss., Jan. 30, 1874 making him now only 26 years old. He received his education at Lincoln University, Jefferson City Mo., and the public schools of this city. He graduated from the Indiana Medical College in 1894 being the youngest as well as standing at the head of the class. Dr. Furniss' success is due to the energy and ambition of his own exertions. While attending Medical College he worked day and night, being private secretary and stenographer to the late lamented Dr. E. S. Elder, who afterwards proved to be his great friend and adviser. After graduating from the Medical College, of Indiana, Dr. Furniss was made an Interne at the City Hospital, which position he acquired through competitive examination and was only given it after a hard, prejudiced fight. This fight gave him prominence and when he entered on his practice, after leaving the hospital, he was graciously received by the race-loving public and today enjoys a lucrative practice and is respected and recognized by all, being a member of both the State and National Medical Associations, which fact alone establishes his worth as a citizen and his ability and status as a physician. He is identified with many benevolent institutions and is a 33° Mason, an Odd Fellow and a Knight of Pythias. During the last campaign, Dr. Furniss was president of the Herculean club during which time the club made a contribution to the campaign fund, being the first colored club to contribute.

Dr. Furniss is now president of the Central Republican League, of Indianapolis, the leading Republican organization in the state. Mr. Lew Akin, chairman of the Marion County Republican Committee has honored the colored vote in this county by appointing Dr. Furniss a member of his executive committee. Dr. Furniss is not a candidate for office but is an example of the possibilities of the American Negro and what any young man can do with proper energy and ambition.

CHAS. H. STEWART.

Gem City Notes.

Frankfort Ind., Special.—Everybody should read the Freeman, an up-to-date newspaper devoted to the most interesting race topics. Mr. John Morgan was in the City last week. Mrs. Alva Fanning has recovered. Mr. Wm. Weaver took a flying trip to Indianapolis. Mr. Elroy Cummings has returned from a business trip to Indianapolis. Sunday was Quarterly meeting day. The church reports show that fine work is being done by the members of this church. Presiding elder Sanders arrived in our city on Monday, to attend the quarterly conference. Owing to the cold weather the congregation was not up to its usual standard Sunday. Church services every Sunday. Christian Endeavor at 6.30. Sunday School at 2.30, J. D. Kersey Supt. Love feast was held Monday night at the A. M. E. Church. Mrs. Sarah Robison is ill at her daughter's home in Rockville, Ind. F. V. Valentine was in this city Tuesday. The O. of B. H. club held their meeting Tuesday night. The whereabouts of Mr. Albert are unknown. He left a friends' home Monday morning and has neither been home nor seen about the city. Notice this! The Freeman can be gotten any time by seeing the agent of this city-Forrest Mitchell. The A. M. E. Church has been carrying on a revival for the past week. Miss Emma Harper has been ill. Mr. Davie Valentine has gone to Indianapolis to visit friends. Mr. R. N. Powell has been unable to take his route as mail carrier for a few days on account of sickness. Rev. John Harper has returned to his church in Princeton Ind. after spending a few weeks with his family in this city. Read The Freeman. Miss Flora Harper has been ill.

B. SQUARE'S BLUSTER

The fairminded, thinking and progressive American Negro must arouse to the fact, unpleasant as it may be, that the race is not holding its own; that it is going backward at a pace that will kill it.

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Truth does not always have a musical sound, still, it is no less true. Statistics of all kinds bear me out in saying that the Negro is drifting backwards. The fault is not altogether in his star but greatly in himself. Statistics show that his birth rate is, by far, smaller than twenty years ago· Statistics show that his death rate is larger, by far, than twenty years ago. Statistics show that his political importance is smaller, by far, than twenty years ago. Statistics show that his every progressive move is not as great as twenty years ago.

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I was seated in a barber shop again, the other day, waiting for my turn when two men entered, one was white the other colored; they seemed to be companions and the colored man had without a doubt, brought in his white friend to show him the "swell" shaving parlor as its' one of the finest in or around New York City. On the walls were the pictures of every colored person of note from the late Hon. Frederick Douglass down to "Chris" Givens, Brooklyn's first colored policeman. Hundreds of these pictures were cut from the pages of the Freeman and nicely framed. They included the picture of the publisher, editor and staff of The Freeman—Knox sr. Knox jr., Henderson, Brock. Majors, "Uncle Noah Baxter" and others. The four walls of the barber shop were covered with race "leaders" ministers, teachers, newspaper men, authors, poets prize fighters, soldiers, in fact every known black man or woman who had made a mark in the class they belonged. These pictures were placed in classes; ministers by themselves, lawyers side by side and so on to the end of the chapter.

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The white man, followed by his colored friend, made the round of the four walls, looking carefully at each and every picture. When he had concluded the colored man remarked: "You see Jim, we have every class of progressive people that you white people have. We have our ministers, our D. D's., our doctors, our lawyers, school teachers, editors, poets, authors and our business men; of course we have not as many as you people but, reflect, we have not as great a population. Then, aga in reflect, we have reached this mark in thirty odd years while your people have been hundreds of years getting there—at least almost two hundred years in the United States. I tell you what, old man, we are coming. Am I right or wrong?" "You are right, John," said the surprised white man.

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"John" was not right, however. We are not "coming" but "going." We have not the amount of "great men;" we have not the amount of wealth; we have not made the amount of progress we should have made at the date, 1900, and the fault is not in our stars, but in "ourselves." If we have one bank, we should have ten. If we have one Booker T, Washington we should have twenty; if we have a score of merchants, we should have a thousand; if we have one paper like the Freeman we should have one hundred and so on to the end of the list.

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PERSONAL.

A "young" (?) widower with three children and lots of debts, would like to open correspondence with a pretty young lady of education and wealth; object, her wealth—no, I made a mistake, "He says his object is matrimony." Address "Widower" care of A. M. Hodges, 82 Hull st. Brooklyn N. Y. (Address with stamps.) Don't mind the above girls, its only a joke, but—well, would you marry a "rich" widower?

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We want it plainly understood by the New York "Press" and its staff of writers that the intelligent colored Republicans who read that paper deem it an insult to be spoken of upon its editorial column as "nigger" with or without the quotation marks.

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Query: Why don't our good Methodist brethren of the cloth, wash their soiled linen in the "Christian Recorder" instead of The Freeman? If you can't settle your troubles at conference, tell them to a policeman. You give us laymen "that tired feeling."

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We are never satisfied with our conditions or make up. You will hear one man say, "I wish I was as large as A--." A will say "I wish I was as small as B. He's just the right size." You will hear another say, "If I had C's education I would not be working as a waiter or cook like he is." C. will say, "I'd give all I know to have the health and strength of D. Why that fellow has a fortune although he can hardly read his name in print." So it goes. The same time if each one was in the other fellows place or condition, its dollars to doughnuts that he would do like the other fellow is doing.

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"One of the unaccountable inclinations of white people generally in diagnosing the Negro from whatever standpoint, is to be surprised if not bewildered and shocked at what they look upon as quite natural and proper in themselves. Such a thing as a Negro possessing preferences, tastes, discriminations and the right to be "the Douglass" of his own castle, to have a choice regarding who and how many shall sit at his "table round" whether friends or foes, equals or inferiors, clean people or otherwise, honest or dishonest, the mob or the select few is unlooked for in the Negro and when known is a matter for more or less surprise and comment."—W. Allison Sweeney.

I second Bro. Sweeney's motion.

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I want our young people in every town in the United States to organize "Helping Hand Circles" to help the worthy colored poor of their towns—to buy wood and coal in the winter and ice in the summer. Call your club the "Knox Helping Hand Circle," or the "Major's Helping Hand Circle," or the "Brock," or the "Fortune," or the "Turner," "Washington," or after any other "great" Negro. When you organize send me word, (remember my address H. M. Hodges, 82 Hull st. Brooklyn, N. Y.) and I will send you a number so the first one will be "No. 1." Second, "No. 2." and so on. This winter you can give a "Charity ball," just like the whites, for the benefit of the poor and next summer, a picnic. Who will be the first?

—B. SQUARE.

OUR HOLIDAY NUMBER.

The Indianapolis Freeman gets out a holiday number of twenty-four pages that is most creditable to its proprietors. There are a number of excellent articles from some of the ablest writers of the race, together with many short sketches and half-tones of those who have become prominent in the theatrical profession. All in all it makes a fine appearance and the issue is one that can be read to advantage by all.—The Western Outlook.

One of the most intelligent colored men in America is Mr. George L. Knox, publisher and proprietor of that excellent paper, The Freeman. We know of no publication printed solely under the auspices of the colored race that shows anything like the enterprise and ability in make-up that characterizes The Freeman. Every number is well edited and beautifully illustrated and ould be a credit to editors and proprietors of much more pretentions. The holiday number is especially attractive, and should be a means of lifting the colored people in the estimation of all white men who peruse its pages.—The Indiana Illustrated Weekly.

CAUTION TO OUR READERS!

In buying the remedy **"To Cure a Cold in One Day,"** LAXATIVE BROMO-QUININE TABLETS be sure the signature of the inventor

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Hannibal, Mo., Jan. 7, 1900.

Mr. G. L. Knox, Dear Sir—Again I am forced to compliment you on your splendid Holiday number, which eclipsed all other competitors. The Freeman is certainly a marvel in the advancement of the colored race. Sincerely,

GEO. WRIGHT.

Surpasses All Previous Efforts.

Knoxville, Tenn., Jan. 3, '1900.

Hon. Geo. L. Knox, Dear Sir—I am in receipt of the Holiday edition of The Freeman. Beyond any question it surpasses any effort ever attempted by any Afro-American journalist or publisher. In many respects it equals if not surpasses our great metropolitan dailies. Wishing your paper continued success, which it merits, I am yours for the race,

JOE M. TRIGG,
Member Board of Aldermen.

It Reflects Great Credit.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 2, 1900.

Hon. Geo. L. Knox, Dear Sir—Your Holiday number is one that reflects great credit on the race; and I, as one engaged, in a humble way, in endeavoring to promote its cause, praise and honor you for it. May your shadow never grow less. JOHN P. GREEN,
U. S. Postage Stamp Agent.

An Innovation in Race Journalism.

Harrisburg, Pa., Jan. 3, 1900.

Editor Freeman—Permit us to congratulate you upon your excellent Holiday edition. It is an innovation in race journalism. You deserve success.

Wishing you a Happy New Year and continued prosperity, we are, yours very truly, JAS. H. W. HOWARD,
Publisher Howard's American Magazine.

They Sold Like Hot Cakes.

New York City, Jan. 3, 1900.

The Holiday numbers of The Freeman arrived alright and they sold like hot cakes. Permit me to express complimentary appreciation of your Holiday number. I enjoyed its contents very much also did my customers. I consider it a worthy successor to your excellent effort last year. Surely the race ought to realize that the loyal support of such an able advocate of their interests will redound to their own credit, and I sincerely trust that the number of new subscribers for 1900 will verify my sentiments. Wishing you a prosperous New Year and continued well deserved success, I remain, your agent,

F. J. BROWN,
4076 Park Avenue, Tremont.

Greatest They Had Ever Seen.

Meridian, Miss., Jan. 7, 1900.

Mr. Geo. L. Knox, Dear Sir—I ordered thirty copies of the Holiday number and I beleive if I had ordered fifty copies I hardily think I would have had a single copy left. I sold copies to persons that I could not get to subscribe, and everyone that got a copy says that t was one of the greatest papers they had ever read. It beat any daily paper in Mississippi or any one else that we have yet seen. God bless The Freeman.

T. MURRAY.

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Here's the biggest bargain for vegetable growers and flower lovers—people with small gardens—that was ever offered by a first-class, reliable house. It is not made for profit, but to interest seed sowers in VICK'S SEEDS—to lay the foundation of a trade that will continue from year to year. The name of the collection is VICK'S HOME GARDEN. Experts of long experience have given months of careful study to concentrate in it the best seeds to make a fine vegetable garden for an ordinary family and furnish a beautiful display of flowers. Look at the long list of varieties—25 choice vegetables, 11 flowers—comprising the collection. Compare it with what you ordinarily pay for the seeds; remember the reputation of the house offering it, and we believe you will agree with us that

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Cabbage—Improved Early Summer,	5	Parsnip—Long Hollow Crown,	5	Eschscholtzia (California Poppy),	5
" Premium Late Flat Dutch,	5	Radish—Vick's Early Scarlet Globe,	5	Mignonette,	5
Carrot—Danvers Half Long Orange,	5	" Imp. Long Scarlet Short Top,	5	Nasturtium—Climbing, Mixed Colors,	5
Cucumber—Imp. Early White Spine,	5	Salsify—Mammoth Sandwich Island,	5	Pansy—Fine Mixed,	10
" Improved Long Green,	5	Squash—Boston Marrow,	5	Phlox—Grandiflora Mixed,	10
Celery—Golden Heart,	5	Tomato—Bright and Early,	10	Poppy—Vick's Brilliant Mixed,	10
Cress—Curled Garden,	5	Turnip—Purple Top Strap Leap,	5	Sweet Peas—Eckford's Choice Mixed,	5
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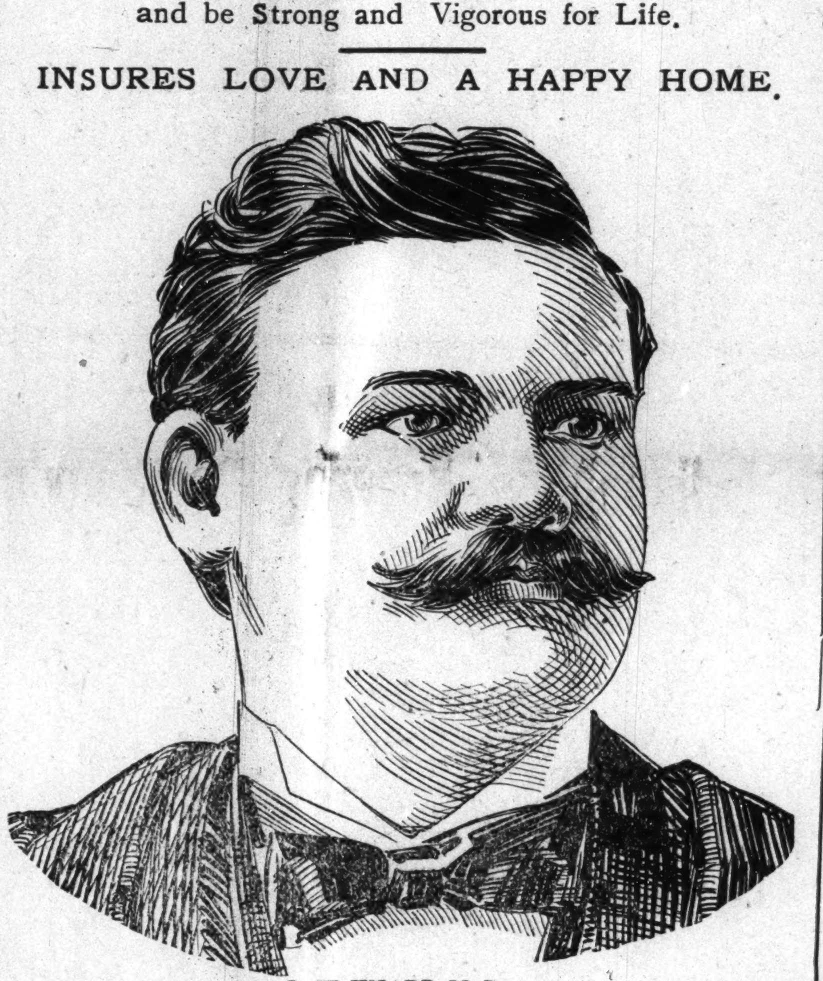

L. W. KNAPP, M. D.

How any man may quickly cure himself after years of suffering from sexual weakness, lost vitality, night losses, varicocele, etc., and enlarge small weak organs to full size and vigor. Simply send your name and address to Dr. L. W. Knapp, 1126 Hull Building, Detroit, Mich., and he will gladly send the free receipt with full directions so that any man may easily cure himself at home. This is certainly a most generous offer and the following extracts taken from his daily mail show what men think of his generosity.

"Dear Sir.—Please accept my sincere thanks for yours of recent date. I have given your treatment a thorough test and the benefit has been extraordinary. It has completely braced me up. I am just as vigorous as when a boy and you cannot realize how happy I am."

"Dear Sir.—Your method worked beautifully. Results were exactly what I needed. Strength and vigor have completely returned and enlargement is entirely satisfactory."

"Dear Sir.—Yours was received and I had no trouble in making use of the receipt as directed and can truthfully say it is a boon to weak men. I am greatly improved in size, strength and vigor."

All correspondence is strictly confidential, mailed in plain sealed envelope. The receipt is free for the asking and he wants every man to have it.

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The Fibre is said to be one of the finest in the world. and is worth nearly twice as much as the ordinary cotton. The stalk grows from 4 to 14 and 15 feet high, has from 40 to 250 bolls to stalk and more at times, according to richness of the soil and the seasons. The following are two of the TESTIMONIALS of those who bought the seeds from Rev. Fitzpatrick, last fall.

Mt. Meigs, Ala., Oct., 1, 1899.

Rev I. N. Fitzpatrick.

Dear Sir:—From the two pounds of African Limbless Cotton seeds that I bought of you last fall I have gathered a bale weighing 500 lbs. I only planted 20 rows an acre long. Would have made more to the acre, but it was injured by the storm and drought. I am certain that if the cotton is planted earlier, and with favorable seasons, that it will yield more to the acre than you said. Yours very respectfully, SHEPPARD MURDOCK.

Pike Road, Ala, Nov. 1, 1899.

Rev. Fitzpatrick.

Dear Sir:—I am delighted with your cotton and think that it will do more than you represented it to do. I bought one pound of seeds from you and made one bale of cotton weighing 400 pounds; and I have already sold $50 worth of seeds. Those who saw the cotton growing engaged the seeds before I picked the cotton. I can sell a ton of seeds if you can spare them. Write me. Yours &c, J. B. BLACKBURN.

We have scores of letters, such as the above, from parties we sold seeds to last fall, and would gladly give names and and post office addresses, but it would make this circular to large to be convenient.

CASH RATES FOR THE SEEDS.

Peck, will plant 2 acres dropped in 3 foot rows, $2.50. Half bushel, $4.75. One bushel, $9.00

If you wish to secure seeds for another year, act at once, as many wrote me last spring too late to obtain them. Direct all letters to me, Box 180, Opelika, Ala. Yours truly,

I. N. FITZPATRICK.

During my absence in South Africa, direct all letters to me at Opelika. My wife, Mrs. Fitzpatrick will answer all letters and fill all orders promptly.

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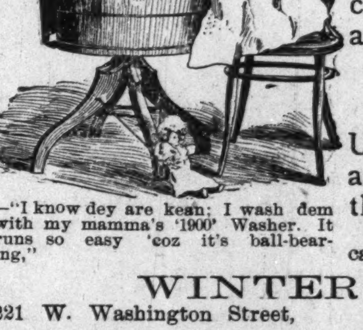

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It is in the form of a double Greek cross, with an open court in the interior, 85 by 112 feet. The outside dimensions are 283 by 300 feet. The central portion is two stories high, the wings one story high. It is entirely with brick with a tin roof. Over 800,000 bricks were required to build it. There are 27 rooms. They average 37 by 55 feet. Each room receives light from two sides and one end. On the first floor are the Director's office, wheelwright, blacksmith, tin, carpenter and repair shops, printing office, woodworking, iron working, foundry, brick masonry, plastering, boiler, engine and general stock rooms. On the second floor are the harness, tailor, shoe and paint shops, mechanical drawing, carriage trimming and upholstering rooms, a reading room and an electrical laboratory. Each shop has a cloak and tool room. The office, reading and exhibit rooms are wainscotted to the window sills and plastered to the ceiling. The drawing room walls are plastered. The ceiling is of panels of yellow pine, showing design. The other rooms are not plastered or ceiled, but the brick walls are tinted with yellow ochre. The plans and specifications of the building were drawn by Mr. R. R. Taylor, a graduate of the Massachusetts School of Technology and, for some years, instructor in architectural and mechanical drawing of the school. The bricks and lumber were made by the students. All the work of construction was done by the students, under the lead of the superintendents of the different industries and the general direction of Mr. J. H. Washington, Director of Industries. The building affords accommodations for over 250 men while learning the fifteen trades taught in it.

The total cost of the building is $35,000, aside from its equipments. Many gave toward the expenses of the building. One gift of $20,000 is commemorated by a marble slab in the main entrance, on which the following words are inscribed: "This tablet is erected in memory of the generosity of J. W. and Belinda L Randall of Boston, Mass., from whose estate twenty thousand dollars were received toward the erection of this building," Mr. C. P. Huntington of New York City, has given an engine of 125 horse-power and a boiler of 75 horse-power, with which to run the machinery.

In equipping the Trades' Building, more or less of the machinery will be made by the school. The building dedicated Wednesday is almost wholly for the young men, but it will interest the friends of education to know that work is already in progress on a similar building for girls. All their industries will then be grouped together in comfortable quarters, where they can work to the best advantage.

A large part of the building has been in use since September last. The formal opening was postponed till Jan. 10, in order to accommodate several prominent gentlemen of New York City, especially interested in industrial training, also Northern trustees of Tuskegee and representatives of Hampton Institute. A meeting of the Tuskegee trustees was held Thursday and a conference of all the visitors present; with reference to matters of vital importance to Negro education and to the South in general The following represent, in part, those of the visitors whom the occasion brought together: Dr. J. L. M. Curry, General Agent of the famous firm of John Wanamaker, and President of the Hampton Board of Trustees; Dr. H. B. Frissell, Principal of the Hampton Institute, from which school Principal Washington graduated in 1875; Mr. W. H. Baldwin, Jr., President of the Long Island Railroad, and Mrs. Baldwin, J. G. Phelps Stokes, George Foster Peabody and Charles J. Peabody, of New York City; Rev. G. L. Chaney, Rev. Charles F. Dole and Mrs. I. C. Barrows of Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Davis of Philadelphia; R. O. Simpson of Furman, Ala.; J. W. Adams of Montgomery and R. C. Bedford, Beloit, Wis. Messrs. W. H. Baldwin, Jr., and J. G. Phelps Stokes of New York City; Rev. Geo L. Chaney and Rev. C. F. Dole of Boston. and Henry C. Davis of Philadelphia, are members of Tuskegee's Board of Trustees. Dr. Chaney was made a trustee in 1881 and delivered the address at the dedication of Porter Hall, the first building erected by the school.

The introductory address was by Mr. G. W. Campbell, president of the Macon County Bank and president of the board of trustees of the Tuskegee Normal School from its beginning. Mr. W. H. Baldwin Jr., president of the Long Island Railroad, followed Mr. Campbell. He spoke of his interest in the school, of the thought he had given it and of the kind reception extended by the school to the visitors. He urged the students to faithfulness and then gave all a most appreciated surprise by saying that he had in his pocket $5,000 given him by a friend to be used for Tuskegee in whatever way he might think best, "which," said he, "I shall determine in the next twenty-four hours." Prof. Samuel McCune Lindsay of the University of Pennsylvania followed Mr. Baldwin in an address of great interest and value, speaking of Tuskegee's methods as lessons in education to all people. Robert C. Ogden, of New York City, president of the Hampton Board of Trustees, spoke next. "For ten long years," he said, "I have longed to come to Tuskegee and here I am today, surprised and delighted." He remembered when Mr. Washington came a student to Hampton. He spoke most eloquently of General Armstrong with whom he was associated from 1868 till the time of his death. It was a most inspiring address. Rev. Mr. Murphy of St. John's Episcopal church, Montgomery, Ala.. spoke most interestingly of the feeling existing among Southern white people with reference to the race problem. It was a wonderful flight of oratory and real eloquence. It won all hearts and seemed to mark the beginning of a new day and no one felt that Principal Washington was extravagant when, at the close of the address, he said "It is worth every dollar that was ever expended on this institution to have heard such an address as that to which we have just listened."

Dr. H. B. Frissell, the successor of General Armstrong, spoke of his interest in Tuskegee, of his connection with Mr. Washington while a student at Hampton and of their mutual interests and common hopes. Dr. Curry, the general agent of the Slater Fund, was most enthusiastically received. He spoke of the duty we owe to ourselves to aid in the education of all the people. He referred to his associates on the Slater Board and spoke of letters of regret from Dr. Gilman, Governor Northen and Mr. Morris K. Jesup. The building dedicated today was made possible very largely through the interest of this board and especially through the efforts of its treasurer, Mr. Morris K. Jesup. After speaking in the chapel, all went through the new building and the exercises of dedication were closed there with an address by Dr. C. F. Dole, of Boston.

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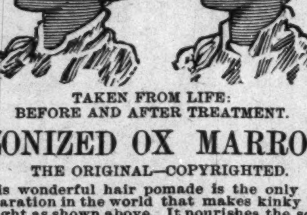

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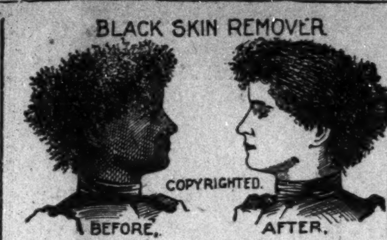

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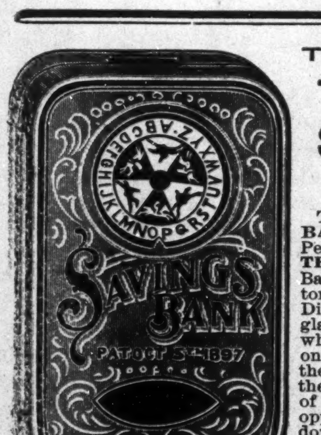

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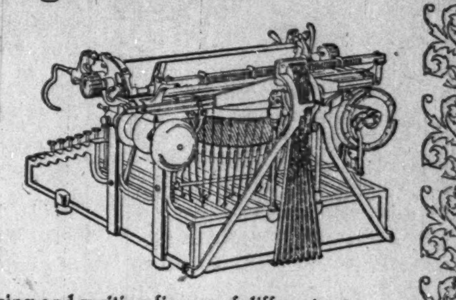

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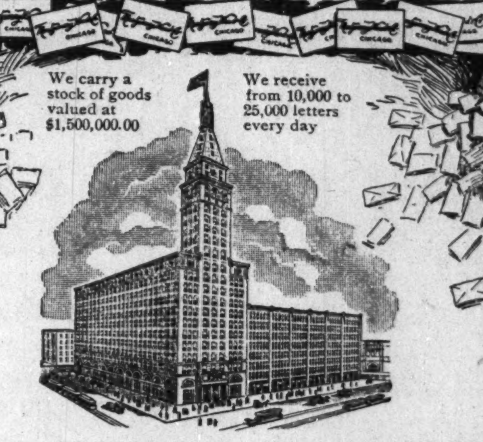

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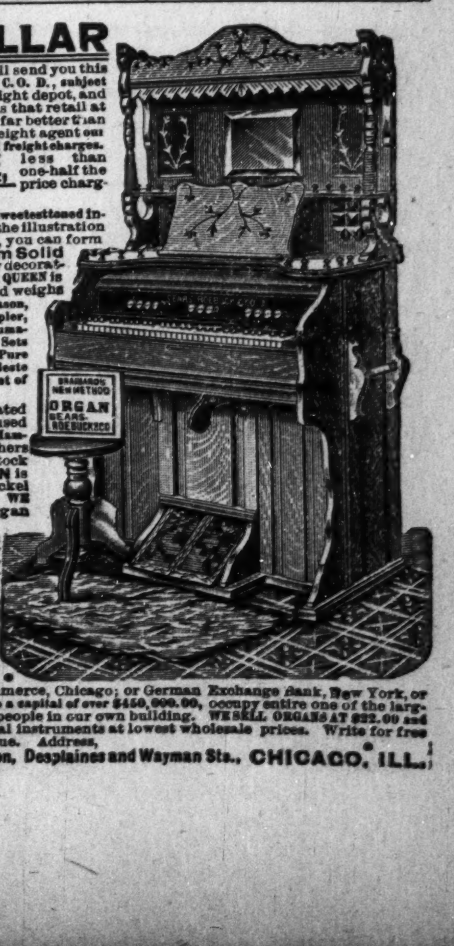
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The majority of these writers have written but one book, yet there are many who have written several.

The following is a partial list of writers, who have published more than one book: R. C. O. Benjamin, 8. Paul L. Dunbar, 7; Benj. T. Tanner, 5; Bishop H. M. Turner, 5; Marshall W. Taylor; 5; C. S. Smith, 4; Daniel A. Payne, 4; J. W. Hood, 4; Fred. Douglass 4; Alex. Crummell, 4; Booker T Washington, 3; T. G. Stewart, 3; Martin R. Delaney, 3; Chas. W. Chestnut, 3; Alex. W. Wayman, 3; Geo. W. Williams, 3; W. S. Scarborough, 2; D. B. Williams, 2; Mrs. F. E. W. Harper, 2; Z. A. Johnson, 2; John P. Sampson, 2; John M. Langston, 2; Austin Stewart, 2; D. Augustus Straker, 2; I. Garland Penn, 2; Bishop Arnett 2; Bishop Gaines, 2; Bishop Embry 2. Among the well known writers who have written one book are: Chas H. Brooks, H. C. Bruce, Peter H. Clark, W. H. Councill, John S. Durham, Victoria Earl (Mrs. Matthews) L. M. Hagood, M. A. Majors, Willis T. Menard, C. W. Mossell, L. A. Scruggs, W. J. Simmons, Mrs. Amada Smith, William Still, and Phillis Wheatley.

These writers have written on most all subjects in the realm of literature. As in the early stages of most every races's development, the earlier productions leaned towards the theological side which was due to the fact that the ministers made up the educated class, and as such became the leaders. They naturally wrote along those lines which absorbed their thoughts. They gave off what was intended to guide and instruct the masses. Many of the subjects are ambitious enough; indicative of the well known trait in Negroes, which tends towards the profound.

Books with philosophical tendencies are largely represented. These are followed by books of poems. As the age progressed, travelling came in vogue; hence there are a great many volumes of this kind which have the entire world for a field. Africa comes in for a good share of attention, along with the islands where civilized Negroes live.

The late war with Spain and the Filipinos has occasioned an out pouring of books by Negro authors which was quite unexpected, when the scarcity of material is so noted. These productions are a miscellaneous complication of matter pertaining to the Negro soldiery, in which officer and man are eulogized for their valor, poems dedicated to the soldiers, sketches of foreign life, biographies of prominent individuals who live in the islands and things of general interest

The world will have its opinion as to what rank these emanations from Negro brains will take. They, perhaps, will be classed in that category of literature in which the earlier writers of America are classed, when the struggles of the times tinctured all of their productions. The elegance of diction, lucidity of thought, and logical arrangement was brushed aside by the torrent of passion.

In justice to many of the writers, it may be said, that, what they have written has been guaged by the stern criticism of the living present; their productions have not been found wanting. Paul Dunbar in his line, will vie with the best of the age. The books of the bishops are theological gems.

There are books of poems too, that fairly approach the dignity of the name. And why not since the race was reared in the stern school room of adversity, and must sing. There is no singer without a song, it is often said. The race exemplifies the assertion and poets are as natural and as general as the gift of musical tongues.

Dr. Sumner A. Furniss has been appointed a member of the Marion County Executive Committee. The selection is eminently fitting. Those who are concerned as to party success next fall, feel that the Republican party has made a wise move in appointing a colored man to aid in shaping the policy of the party. Dr. Furniss is one of the younger men; a product of the Indianapolis schools. He is highly respected and is thoroughly capable of performing the new duties that will befall him. Chairman Aiken is to be congratulated for chosing so wisely.

The body of the late lamented General Henry W. Lawton, who fell at San Mateo, P. I.. Dec. 19, 1899 has been with us. Thousands of individuals viewed his remains in the State Capitol where they rested, shrouded in flowers and canopied by the flag he loved so well. The tribute of respect shown for the dead hero is one excellent trait of the American people. They fail not in honoring those who die in the cause of their country.

The courage and heroism of General Lawton has been the topics of discussion ever since his death. "It is only the coward that thinks he will live always," was adhered to by the distinguished deceased. His recognition by the government testified as to his true worth. He was a soldier-born, bred to war, and as a warrior he always took his place in the front ranks.

Editor The Freeman:

Dear Sir:—I beg to hand you herewith an invitation to our Tuskegee Negro Conference session which meets Wednesday, February 21. I desire to emphasize this invitation and to say that we will be pleased beyond measure if you can see your way clear to visit us at the time of this conference session. We need the benefit of your presence and I assure you, yourself will get something of value from the meetings.

Yours very truly
Booker T. Washington, Principal.

Georgia has had the courage to repudiate her intentions as to the disfranchisements of part of its citizens; what is the matter with North Carolina.

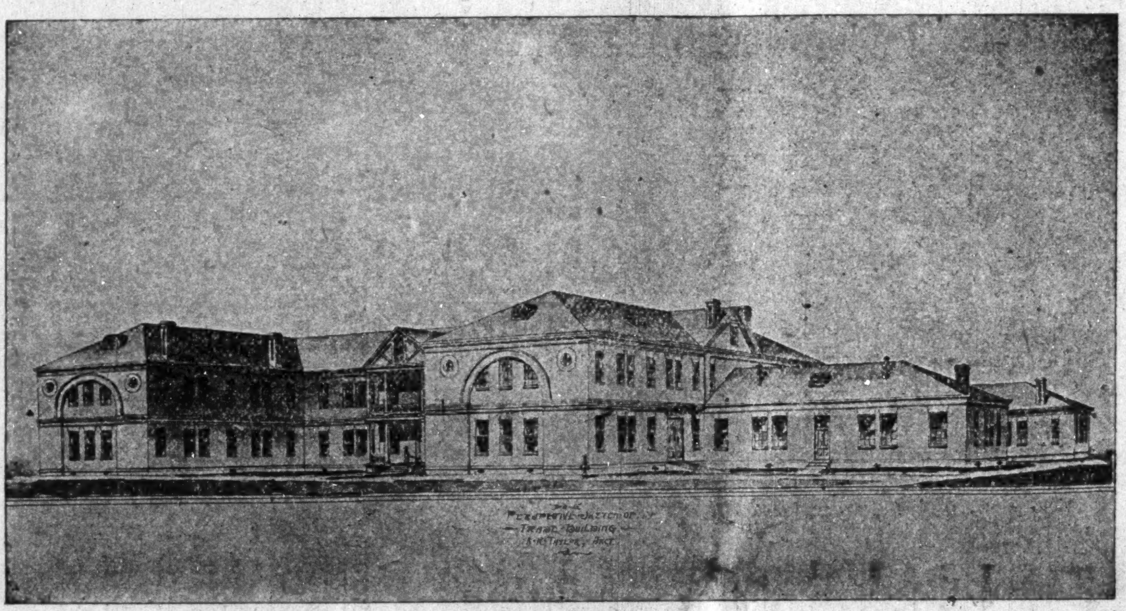
THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL.

A local Afro-American Council was organized in this city last week. It will act in conjunction with the National organization at Washington in trying to secure the greatest good to the race. Bishop Alexander Walters is at the head of the movement and has already done yeoman service, in making the organization tell. The officers chosen to serve were as follows: Rev. A. Wakefield, president; J. T. V. Hill, vice-president; Wm. M. Lewis, secretary; A. E Manning, treasurer; Miss Ethel French assistant secretary; Rev. D. J. Donahue, chaplain; Wm. H. Richardson, sergt. at arms. For the board of directors the following well known individuals were selected. W. A. Sweeney, G. L. Knox, W. T. Floyd, Gurley Brewer, Richard Teeters.

The local organization will make arrangements for the great National meeting to be held here in August. It is expected that all the states where colored people dwell in considerable numbers, will be represented. Owing to the fact that it is campaign year, more than ordinary significance is attached to the movements of the Council.

What the council will do in Indianapolis is a question? That it will meet is fairly assured. The council is non-political, but may not be averse to using politics to the extent of securing what it, the council, in its wisdom thinks can be secured to the race's good, by such means.

The organization if it abides by its rules and regulations cannot as a body assist any political organization. Its members, in the main are Republicans, yet there are many democrats among them. These are respected as to their political affiliations.



THE SLATER-ARMSTRONG NEMORIAL BUILDING AT TUSKEGEE.

THE PROPOSED Y. M. C. A.

Mr. J. E. Moreland of New York has been in the city several days. He is connected with the National Y. M. C. A., which has its headquarters at Washington, D. C. Mr. Moreland is in charge of the department that seeks to interest the colored people in that great work that has so long been a factor in the moral and Christian training of young white men throughout the country.

The movement to organize the colored people into a body of this kind is certainly commendable and should be heartily endorsed by all who care for the future of their race. It is very apparent that the colored people stand no less in need of such an organization than the whites. The shame of it all is, that the 25,000 colored people of the city should have waited for some one from abroad to bring what they needed.

Just what plans, the organizer, Mr. Moreland has in view is not known, but it is safe to say that, as a Christian gentleman and a representative of that grand organization, the Y. M. C. A., whatever he may desire or suggest will be for the best. It is the duty of the morally inclined to enthusiastically second his efforts.

If we, as colored people, know what we are doing we will not raise the cry as to "lines." We have our churches and they are "lines" quite enough. What we want and need is some institution where the better inclined may while away their hours without coming into contact with pernicious influence. A colored man's Y. M. C. A., has just as good a right to exist as a colored man's political club or a social club. The higher the motive, the more welcomed the institution, should be the rule.

If this proposed Y. M. C. A., serves under the auspices of the General Y. M. C. A., then so much the better; since such an arrangement insures correct government, which can only come from wide experience.

The Freeman heartily welcomes a Y. M. C. A., and extends thanks to the promotors who so considerately offers what we stand so much in need of, and yet have taken no steps to secure.

It is to be hoped that the movement will not be frozen out by indifference. One dissenting voice, is a voice against the moral and religious prosperity of the race. We are not going to hail with delight every den of vice and snuff out a good thing under the guise of "lines."

The effort to establish a Y. M. C. A. for the colored people is in the right direction. Not a single word should be said against the movement. What colored man can afford to oppose such a movement, no matter under what guise it comes?

How did you like our Debut? Did our Journalistic garb hang all right? Of course we tried to appear as presentable as possible.—The Western Christian Advocate, Macon, Mo.

Your debut is all right—your Journalistic toga a hangs superbly. And you succeeded as to your presentableness. May you enjoy long life, great prosperity, and a great sphere of usefulness.

The Annual Session of the Tuskegee Negro Conference will be held at Tuskegee, Alabama, February 21, 1900. These Annual Meeting are resulting in lasting good in the direction of showing the Negroes how to lift themselves up materially, educationally, morally and religiously. On the day following the Session of the Negro Conference, Thursday, February 22, the Workers' Conference composed mainly of teachers in and officers of the various Colored schools in the South will be held.

The Librarian of Congress, at the request of Commissioner-General Peck, has undertaken to co-operate in the work of making a collection of books by Negro authors to form a part of the Negro exhibit at the Paris Exposition of 1900, undersigned to take charge of the same. Daniel Murray, assistant librarian of Congress says:

I need not dilate upon the importance of having such an exhibit at Paris and the value of such a collection to future investigators of the bibliography of Negro authorship. In this work I shall be obliged to seek the co-operation of men of literary knowledge in the several cities to assist in making the collection as complete as possible.

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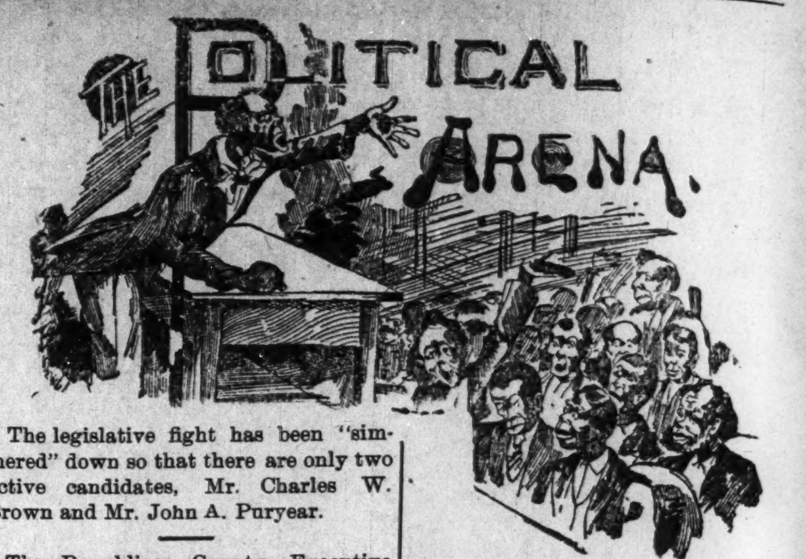
At the close of the Exposition the whole collection will be on exhibition and for consultation for all time. It is confidently believed that a work appealing so strongly to every colored man and woman in the land will enlist their active co-operation. Everything will depend upon their interest and co operation. If they work earnestly, every expectation excited by this opportunity will be justified. If they are indifferent, and each leave to some one else what he might have done, the result will be disappointing, and justly so.

Senator Fairbanks of Indiana, is again mentioned for the presidential nomination in 1904. The Colored American holds the record as the "original Fairbanks man," having named him more than a year ago as the most available timber then in sight. We haven't changed our mind, Indiana and the middle West, where Fairbanks is a tower of strength, will continue to be the balance of power and must be reckoned with —The Colored American Washington, D. C.

The Freeman contests the distinction.


THE POLITICAL ARENA.

The legislative fight has been "simmered" down so that there are only two active candidates, Mr. Charles W. Brown and Mr. John A. Puryear.

The Republican County Executive Committee met with Chairman Akin last Saturday and fixed the dates for holding the county and township conventions. The county convention will be held March 3rd and the township March 10th.

The gubernatorial race is getting more and more interesting, as we near the convention. In this district, Hon. John L. Griffiths will possibly secure the full vote, and in fact he ought to. There is no man in the state who could fill that chair with more dignity and pride than our own "John L."

The organization of the colored voters in this city and state is a thing most needed. "In union there is strength." The organization of the Republican Central League promises to fill the long-felt want. The officers are: Dr. S. A. Furniss, president; Charles W. Brown, first vice-president; Gabriel L. Jones, second vice-president; Charles H. Stewart, secretary; William Pierce, assistant secretary; Dr. B. J. Morgan, treasurer; John Shirley, sergeant-at-arms. Board of Directors: Gurley Brewer, James Shelton, A. C. Richardson, W. E. Henderson, William Walden, W. H. Jackson and A. C. Simms. The object of the league is to secure a better recognition for the colored vote and inculcate principles of higher citizenship and the proper use of the ballot among its members. A large meeting will be held at the criminal court rooms next Tuesday evening, which will virtually be a "love feast" of colored Republicans. All are invited to attend. Questions of vital importance will be discussed by capable and efficient members of the race. All are invited.

HARDSTEW.

THE NEGRO PRESS.

Colored men, do not despair, our white friends are not all dead; neither have they gone on a long journey.—Richmond Planet.

Colored men, be polite; teach your children good manners. Be frugal, honest and God-fearing and all will be well with us.—Richmond Planet.

"Stay here," says Booker T. Washington, while Bishop Turner says, "We must go to Africa," which shall we obey?—The Ascension Herald.

Who is the most corrupt, the tempter who with his money, buys up voters, or the poor devil who accepts it? Both are bad medicine.—Victoria Guide.

The Negro who goes to the inconvenience and expense of supporting race enterprises and Negro professions is the man who is doing more for the race than any others are.—The Paul Quinn Weekly, Waco, Texas.

The colored people of Indiana are making wondrous strides forward, politically, commercially, financially and intellectually. The Negro is an important factor in this state, and his influence is being felt along all lines.—The Recorder, Indianapolis.

Hon. W. A. Pledger, delegate elect to the Philadelphia Republican Convention from the Eighth District, and National Committeeman Judson W. Lyons, will be slated to advocate the cause of national education in the South, at the Philadelphia Republican Convention.—The Savannah Tribune.

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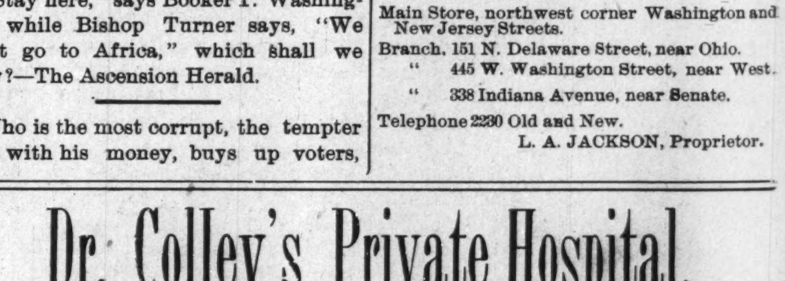

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THE STAGE.

—EDITED BY—

J. HARRY JACKSON.

AS I SEE YOU EVERY NIGHT.

[Dedicated to the Williams & Walker Co.]

When I blow the first whistle,
I often hear you all say,
Let's go to our rooms and get ready
We've got no more time to play.
All on, now that's the last whistle,
To a stranger, this would be a treat,
Such changes of costumes and faces
Would never be known in the street.
The music starts, up goes the curtain
On a chorus with volume so grand,
Barbers, cooks, nurses and sailors,
And a policeman that's always on hand.
The tough girl, old man and lassies
All exit with laughter and fun;
Then a quarrel is started,
Between Auntie and Mr. One Lung,
Two mischevious boys get to fighting
The Chinaman comes to the door,
The tramp and police have an inning,
But the hero of this is "Son Moore."
Then Dandy Jack meets the Elder
And policy tries to explain'
The crowd stops then to listen
To One Lung sing opera, "All Same."
Hear the audience cheering,
And applauding with foot and hand,
They go wild with laughter,
Over Hotstuff and Dusty Cheapman.
The dark change, now the Interpreter,
He tells everything you want to know, they say,
Then up hobbles the old whitewasher,
And says he'll catch a "gig" to-day.
Hotstuff puts Cheapman to dreaming,
In a light that beams like the moon.
The chorus hums such harmony
That he thinks he sees the ghost of a 'coon.'
Diamond Joe then get puzzled,
Two girls, who they are he can't tell,
With leaves and hair so curly,
They say they are the Honolulu Belles.
The two bad boys give warning,
And tell every one to stop,
They all turn and look—
And behold the "Kings of the Policy Shop'
Look out! Another scrap has started,
Old Dusty takes a big hand,
He came near winning, but Hotstuff says:
"He needs some herbs from the Medicine Man."
Twelve o'clock, the drawings have started,
3-11-33 wins, that's a fact,
With a march and a band so entrancing,
The curtain comes down on this act.

A trio called Moonlight Serenaders,
With music they entertain,
When suddenly they are interrupted,
By Hotstuff and Cheapman again.
Next comes a yacht up the Hudson,
Now this is a beautiful scene,
The chorus all enter and acknowledge,
That Animato is the real Queen.
Miss Gushington comes with her coachman,
All nervous and not worth a cent.
The rag-time band comes in playing,
Escorting the Ex-President.
Mr. Readymoney introduces him,
Old Hotstuff is there with his con,
He whispers and jollies the President,
Until he consents to respond.
After this every one is quiet,
And seven girls that are pretty, you bet,
Stroll up the lawn and listen
To the Williams & Walker Quartette.
Now comes the prettiest number of all
With calcium and costumes gay,
They all bow low and raise their hats
To Hotstuff on Broadway.
The next is the President's Guards,
An act that fools them all,
They tumble well, and make you laugh,
And their batons seldom fall.
The love scene comes, you'll laugh and laugh
I'll tell you, this is swell,
What all they do, I haven't time to say,
But the man in the moon might tell.
The finale they all line up,
Every one has done his best,
I touch the button, the curtain comes down,
Now you may guess the rest.

—FRANK MALLORY, Stage Manager.

"Hello! Arthur Prince"—Wm. Fletcher.

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Pearl Brewer sends regards to W. C. Handy.

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Marsh Craig sends regards to John H. Grant and "Fire-bug."

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A. Phil Payn, jr., sends regards to all professional friends.

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Harry Adams sends regards to all friends with the Big Minstrel Festival.

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Billy Williams, frog equilibrist, is down with the typhoid fever, at Syracuse, N. Y.

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Mahara's Minstrels opend at the Grand Theatre Payret, Havana, Cuba, Feb. 7, for an indefinite run.

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Sam Johnson, euphonium player, with A. G. Allen's New Orleans Minstrels, sends regards to Arthur Prince.

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"Skip" Farrell sends regards to P. G. Lowery, Allie Gillam, Harry Gillam, George Bailey, James White and all friends.

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R. O. Henderson, of the Georgia Up-to-Date company sonds regards to P. G. Lowery, Joe Pleasant, Dolphus and all other friends.

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Miss Legretta Henderson, commedienne, is singing with success "Ma Rag-time Baby" and "It Takes a Coon to do the Rag-time Dance."

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Miss Edna King sends regards to P. G. Lowery, Miss Bessie Gillam, Miss Florence Hines, Tina Mazelle, Allie Gillam and all other friends.

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Biily McCarver sends regards to Simpson & Pittman and other members of the Famous Georgias. He says: "I can see a few of your tracks left out here. Thanks for letter of introduction."

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W. Goff Kennedy writes from Georgia Up-to-Date:—We are giving a clean, bright up-to-date show; nobody working under cork. Business good, everybody well and delighted audiences. 'What more need we care."

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"Skip" Farrell has closed with Stetson's Uncle Tom's Cabin company, also has Miss Edna King, the famous cake walker. They will rejoin the Forepaugh-Sells Shows at Madison Square Garden, New York City this spring. Mr. Farrell has opened up a professional headquarters at 57 Fountain avenue, Springfield, Ohio. He would like to hear from all friends.

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Allen's New Orleans Minstrels have been held in quarantine at Pensacola, Fla., it was raised Tuesday of last week and they are again free. Billy Cheatham and Miss Elder, A Stevens, and Mr. and Mrs. Trusty are all reported to be making big hits.

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Leslie Thomas, who was the manager of the Big Afro-American Specialty Co., with headquarters at Springfield, O., is preparing to open with the king of all companies next season. He would like to hear from people up in the business—musicians and performers.

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Mrs. Harry Eaton died Jan. 26, at Buffalo, N. Y., in the hospital, after an illness of several months, of consumption. Mrs. Eaton was well-known and liked among the profession. Her last engagement was with the Mahara Eastern Minstrels which closed its short season at Buffalo.

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Clyde Collier, the clever young comedian, is resting up at his home, Springfield, O. Mr. Collier as a singing comedian and monologuist is hard to beat. He has not as yet signed with any company for the coming season. He sends regards to Mr. and Mrs. Dan Avery, John Rucker, Harry Fidler, Jas. Crosby Bobby Kemp and all friends.

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The ladies with Williams and Walker company are very industrious they have formed a club, known as the W. and W. Sewing Circle. Every ladie in the company is a member they do some beautiful lace work embroidering in fact all kinds of needle work. Mrs. Eugene Moore is the principal seamstress.

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Notes from the Famous Georgia Minstrels:—"We have left the beautiful State of California, and now making new friends and carloads of money in the wealthy state of Oregon. our Since advent into this state the S. R. O. sign has been displayed on quite a number of occasions, and the show has more than made good. During our engagement in Eugene, Ore., the house was crowded to the doors, and after the entertainment the entire company were invited to the Elks lodge room and a splendid banquet was served in honor of Manager Thos. J. Culligan and Benj. Culligan, who are members of this organization. A grand time was had and every member present did his share in entertaining towards making the evening an enjoyable one. We are sorry to note the death of our estimable bandmasters' father, Mr. Robt. H. Patrick, who died at his home in Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 23. The deceased leaves a widow and son. Frank T. Patrick. We sympathize deeply with our comrade and brother in this the hour of his trouble, also the mother and wife, who has lost one so dear to her. May the dead rest in peace.

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Notes from the Big Minstrel Festival—"We are now on our way to Denver, where all the boys are now preparing for. In my last letter I spoke of the ball games that the boys were having between themselves. Since we were in Mexico we have been compelled to stop catching ball, and go to work catching our breath. The air here so far has only affected a few of the boys. They manage to make the parade every day. Mr. Walker is about the only one that is a victim to nose bleeding. Our genial manager, Mr. Rusco, has been slightly indisposed for a day or so, since out in this climate; he has sent on for his partner Mr. J. J. Holland. Mr. Rusco may leave for a short vacation. The boys have many relics that they purchased in Mexico. In Santa Fe, N. M., we were all out sight-seeing. Mrs. Rusco, the wife of our manager, gave the ladies of the company a carriage ride, taking them out to see the different points of interest. A. J. Smith is meeting with much success nightly in his rendition of "Asleep in the Deep" which compels him to respond to encores nightly. The boys are forming a club to be organized when they are laying off in Chicago this season; it is to be named the D. I. T. W. Club, which means (Don't Intend to Work). Sam Burns is to be chairman of the said organization. Bobby Kemp our singing comedian, is meeting with much success nightly singing "My Hannah Lady." The Freeman continues to be our main guide as to the doings of the colored profession. We sincerely hope it may continue to be the leading Afro-American journal of the country.

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J. Ed Green, of the Oliver Scott's Minstrels writes:—"After a limited trip to Louisville, New Albany and Chicago, I'm back with the Big Minstrel Carnival and find the big audiences highly pleased at every performance. At Birmingham, Ala., the new Auditorium was packed at the first performance and every one seemed very much pleased; pronouncing it the best show of the season. The boys were royally entertained at the Windsor Club, by a slight 'rag-time reception,' Messrs. Powell and Green were entertained as guests of the progressive tailors Weeden & Shields, and the young produce merchants, Messrs. James and Eck Mosby. The musical team of VerValin and Godman closed Feb. 3. Cicero Reed left for Chicago on the 3d, to see a very sick mother. In the first-part Master Bly opens the applause by his wonderful rendition of "A Bird in a Gilded Cage," one of New York's latest hits. Don Mareno, the Cuban tenor, still proves a winner with "I'd Like to Hear That Song Again." The phenomenal boy soprano has a hit in "The River of Peace." The principal comedians James White and Clarence Powell share honors in their respective songs "Rag-time" and "The Aristocratic Gent." The first-part is being closed by a double quartette, arranged by the writer, and it is a relief after so much comedy. Master Creighton opens the olio as juggler and slack-wire artist, and is highly appreciated. "Clarncey" follows with a red-hot monologue that includes "Hot Air" and "Habits On." Arthur Maxwell still rides the bicycle—Nuf Sed. James White succeeds with the latest in coon songs with Richard Lewis from the gallery in the "Messenger Boy." VerValin and Godman in a delightful musical act follow; then the great one-hand balancer Kitchie; the entire closing with "Stoke Moore's Rag-time Reception" that was arranged by Mr. James White, and for twenty minutes the audience is hilariously filled with delight; and when the curtain falls you hear—"A good show." The boys all send best regards to all."

BISHOPRICYS' SLATE.

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gates and that those who defied the endeavors of some of the bishops and elected to that high office Bishop W. B. Derrick are now looking to him to lead them on to the complete triumph of the right of preachers to think and to act independantly.

Readers of The Freeman may take what appears above as absolutely candid and as reflecting the conditions as shown by the most attentive study of the men who were at the Bishops' Council. I do not write to favor any favorite but aim simply to give full and correct news even if I lose votes by it. I have said, above, good words for men against whom I will vote, if I live, but truth is truth and justice is justice. Bishop Gaines has knocked me out of good things but when I write I try to do him justice although I know that some of my friends will be angry because I did so.

J. M. HENDERSON, Brooklon, N. Y.

N. B.—In stating that I had withdrawn from the race for the editorship, The Freeman was in errror. I will be in the race until the finish but I will not play politics in order to win. I will talk and act as I think is right even if it makes sure my defeat. I know every considerable combination that exists and could get in one if I desired but I stand out as an independant and cast my lot with those of like disposition. If I am elected the Recorder will have 50,000 subscribers before my time is out in 1904. If I am not elected, I will not feel badly. In my last charge I brought to the church five dollars for every dollar paid to me and in my present charge I have brought to the church ten dollars for each one I have been paid. Whatever I may be worth is my defence and I defend what little merit I have.

J. M. H.

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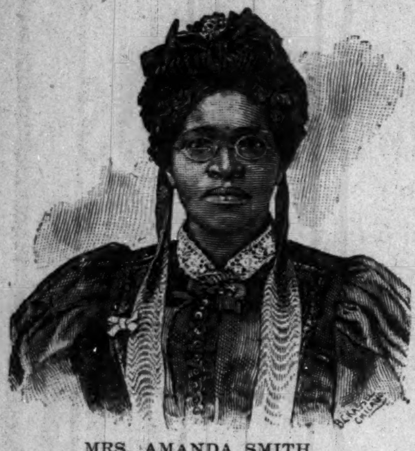

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For the benefit of Tuskegee Institute Mr. Rockerfeller has given Mr. Booker T. Washington $10,000.

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Prof. Councill has given in cash for the support of Normal Industrial Institute since its foundation $16000, from his own earnings.

Magnus L. Robinson conducts the only Negro Masonic Weekly published in the world. It is the Leader published at Alexandria, Va, and Washington, D. C.

"The Negro in Etiquette," the new book written by Mr. E. M. Woods, of St. Louis, Mo., has met with a very gratifying sale. The press has spoken very kindly of it. All have purchased the book liberally.

Dr. Bryant, who died a few days ago, leaves $500 to Munson Industrial School and divides the rest of his property, valued at about $60,000 to Tabor college, Tabor, Iowa, and Talladega Colored School, Talladega, Ala. In his life time he gave $30,000 to the two last named colleges.

Only 107 persons were lynched in America last year which is 20 less than the year before and the smallest number in any one year since 1884. Of the 107 lynchings, 103 took place in the South, and 4 in the North; of these 84 were colored. Over 70 per cent of these lynchings were in four Southern states as follows: Georgia, 27 Mississippi, 14; Louisana, 13; Arkansas, 11.

W. H. Stallings, Republican postmaster of Augusta, Ga., has been "expelled" from the Republican party by the Negroes in control of the politics of the party in this county. He presented himself to register for selection of delegates to the State and National Conventions and was denied the privilege, on the ground that he was expelled. This action was taken because he refused to appoint a Negro named Wimberley as Assistant Postmaster. Wimberley has since been appointed Deputy Revenue Collector.

The fine 875-pound bell for Edward Waters College Jacksonville, Fla., is made of steel alloy and colored a rich bronze. This bell is fully three feet in diameter, and proportionately large in its other dimensions. This magnificent bell is the donation of Rev. M. M. Moore, D. D, financial secretary of the African Methodist Episcopal church. Prof A. St. George Richardson, the president of Edward Waters College, is arranging a special programme of exercises to be rendered by the students when this bell is hung in the tower on the girls' dormitory.

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The American Mutual Aid Association St. Louis have paid the following late claims in Indianapolis:—M. M. Meadows 719 West Eleventh st., fell and skinned face, $8.58; Alfred Outland, 430 Yandes st., fell down steps, $7.15; W. H. Johnson, 622 West North st., mashed foot, $15.70; Geo. H. Goins, 543 West 12th street, broken arm, $50.00; John Prince 1707 Alvord st., foot mashed $15.71; O. S. McGee. 1022 Senate avenue fell and hurt arm; three days, $3.00. O. S. McGee, 1022 Senate ave., injured finger, $7 00; G. St. Clair, 330 Muskingham street, struck with brass knucks, $5.75; Andrew Smith, 1019 N. Missouri street, injured foot, $6.85; John N. Beck sick list, $14.30; and Mary Hampton struck nail in foot, $1.00; Jno. M. Beck 2½ days, strained limb, $3.55; Ellis White arm broke, $35. Rufus Allison, Anderson Ind., $5; J. R. Gaskin, 210 Roanoke street, $5.00 Mrs. F. Taylor, 1419 N. Missouri street, $2.85; Rev. A. L. Murray, $24.29. Mr. E. B. Hampton is the agent in this city, at room 43 Baldwin Block, corner of Deleware and Market streets.

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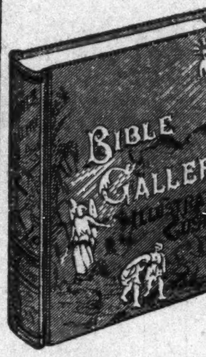
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MAJOR TAYLOR'S RELIGIOUS SCRUPLES

Says an exchange:—"Major Taylor has found it impossible to still his conscience. According to the latest information, which comes from no less a celebrity than the Major himself, France is not to be graced by his presence this season. In regard to this matter Major Taylor says: 'I guess we will have to call it all off. I will not race on Sunday. I have debated the question very thoroughly and have decided that it would hardly be compatable with my religion to work on the Sabbath day.

'Yes, I known that Christians work on Sunday when they have to and that they are thought none the less of but we cannot believe they are thoroughly Christianized. Were this the case they would find it absolutely impossible to still their consciences.

No, I would not wait on table on Sunday or act as head waiter. I would throw up my position. Yes, I would starve to death before I would work, and that is right.'

Providing he does not go to France Taylor will retire from the game as he cannot ride in America and recognizes that fact, being life under suspension from the A. R. C. U."

The "Major" has no more staunch admirer than the editor of this page, who has been privileged to be in attendance at some of his wonderful record breaking trials and races; who believes he is not only the fastest rider on the tan bark to-day, but that the cycling world will hardly ever produce his equal again. That Taylor will let the opportunity slip him to go to Europe and the chance to show to the world that he is indeed the "cycling king," a thing that for various reasons is denied him here in the States, would indeed be beyond my comprehending. Here he has been outlawed against by the fast white riders, not on account so much as to his color, but, as Howard Freeman was honest enough to admit, because he was feared and they did not wish it known that their peer was a Negro.

Here Taylor has little show, but abroad where there exists no prejudice he is looked upon as the greatest rider on this side of the big pond and too with greatest respect. As all the fast white riders are going to France to race during World's Fair with the hope to put ducats into their purse, Taylor beig the most popular on the other side would indeed show poor judgement in letting the opportunity slip him to go also. Religious scruples as to riding on the Sabbath may be all right in a way, but I doubt very much if they will make life more worth the living in old age. As I said before I can hardly believe that there is much of facts in the above article. It may be only a newspaper story after all, still, if on the other hand it be true, then I can only say that there must be some truth in the old saw "the white man gets the money while the Negro gets the religion." We all want to go to heaven I believe, but as we are here and will probably stay for a while yet, let us seeek for some of both. Go to Europe "Major" and show the world that you are without a peer.

HARRY LYONS KNOCKS OUT JOE CAIN.

Harry Lyons, from Chicago, the colored substitute for Tommy White, showed unexpected form against Joe Cain, Monday night Jan. 22 at the Hercules A. C. of New York city. Lyons nearly blinded his man and knocked him out in the twenty-fifth round.

They were billed for 25 rounds at catch weights, about 128 pounds. Lyons took the place of Tommy White, of Chicago, who injured an arm a few days ago.

It was nearly half past ten when the men put up their hands. Both men looked fit and were very well matched in weight although Lyons was the taller. Cain opened with two body punches but Lyons came back strong and with one right swing on the jaw floored Cain.

Lyons landed four or five hard body blows in the second and his price went up to 100 to 70.

The third was a series of stiff mixes. They banged each other like demons and the crowd yelled. Cain had a trifle the better of the work. Lyons once seeming to tire from blows on the ribs and stomach. He was back on Cain's face several times.

In the next eight rounds Lyons did some clever feinting and fast work and he got in many a tiring crack. Cain's return did not appear to affect Lyon's. Cain was weak at the end of the twelfth

Cain made a royal rally in the thirteenth and a mix-up which lasted the entire round kept the crowd howling. The next round was almost just as vicious, while the 15th was comparatively uneventful.

When Cain came out for the sixteenth it was seen that his right eye was going as well as his left and it was remarkable that he could see enough to land a blow.

The fearful storming between the men went on. Almost blind, Cain made several brave attacks, especially in the nineteenth round, but Lyons was too strong for him. Cain received his quietus in the final round.

BOXING AT CHESTER PA.

Billy Payne and Ed. Smith, colored fought ten fast rounds at the Broadway Athletic Club, Jan. 20 and both went the limit with honors even. Smith depended on a straight left and in the first round Payne ran into several stiff ones. In the second and third rounds, Payne countered with heavy body blows. It was a mix-up in the third, Payne landing with both hands and ducking Smith's ugly left. Smith landed hard in the fifth and Payne went to his knees to escape punishment. This was Smith's round. A left flush on the jaw and hard rights on the body, weakened Payne and in the seventh the ropes saved him from going to the floor. He came at Smith, however, with heavy punches in the stomach. In this round Payne's eye was cut open. The eighth and ninth rounds were Payne's. He Chopped Smith on the jaw and led for the stomach. In the tenth Smith staggered Payne by a stiff one on the jaw. In the clinches Payne had the best of it. Both men were strong at the finish.

HOLIDAY NUMBER

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The Freeman is a journal of journals and a credit to the race.—Kansas City Observer.

The holiday number of The Freeman contain 24 pages which presents a neat appearance, and only shows that The Freeman is meeting with success.—The Macon (Ga.) Sentinel.

We congratulate the Indianapolis Freeman on its holiday number. It is a gem. The finest piece of work of any Negro Journal we have seen—The Afro-American, Baltimore, Md.

The holiday edition of "The Freeman," the Indianapolis colored people's paper, appeared Saturday and as handsomely edited and illustrated sheet of 24 pages.—Indianapolis Daily Sun.

The Freeman's holiday number was a most attractive paper. The Freeman is a credit to the colored race, and deserves the success achieved.—The Independent, Indianapolis.

Talk about Christmas editions. The Indianapolis Freeman knocked all the rest out. It stands head and shoulders above all the rest.—The Independent, Houston, Texas.

The fine illustrated holiday number of The Freeman is a supreme pace set in Negro journalism. While we congratulate Editor George L. Knox for its well edited columns, the mechanical force is due great credit for artistic workmanship.—The Colorado Slatesman.

We congratulate the Indianapolis (Ind.) Freeman upon its holiday number of 24 pages containing cuts and spicy articles from prominent men of the race. The Freeman is one of the most widely known Negro papers in this country.—Star of Zion.

The holiday edition of the Indianapolis Freeman was a gem and reflects great credit upon the management.

It outstripped all of its contemporaries in its typographical appearance as well as in the enterprising display of "cuts" and literary productions.—The Richmond Planet.

The Freeman of December 30, was a masterly effort on the part of the publisher, containing 24 pages devoted to discussions of topics of the day and current gossip most beneficial to the Negro race. It is certainly worthy of its name, and is the oldest and best Negro journal in the country.—Kansas City Observer.

☐The Freeman's Holiday edition of of twenty-four pages was as usual up to the top notch, and looms out with many half tones of leading professional men and women.

It is not as large as we have seen it on similar occassions, still the general make-up is superior to any of its former publications, and brother Knox can jdstly stand at the head of Negro journalism.—Utah Plaindealer.

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The special edition of the Indianapolis Freeman should cause universal rejoicing among the Negroes of this country, because it gives an idea of the wonderful progress the Negro has made in the printing business. Editor Knox's last effort along the special edition line deserves more than ordinary mention, and places him in the front ranks as a newspaper man. The made-up showed that much skill was required, and the cuts showed off to an advantage; the quality of paper used was the very best. Knox you have done a mighty thing.—The Victoria (Tex.) Guide.

The holiday number of the Indianapolis Freeman, which contained twenty-four pages, is indeed the best Negro journalistic treat that has been circulated to the readers of Negro newspapers in this whole world at this age. Hon. Geo. L. Knox, the proprietor and publisher, has rightfully won the head rank of Negro journals of the world in this issue of Dec. 30, 1899. He has beat his own record, and the beauty comes in that it was The Freeman and no other.

The literary make-up of this issue contains food that will be beneficial to the most brained minds of the race. And in fact it will be thought for the whites to read this issue of The Freeman.

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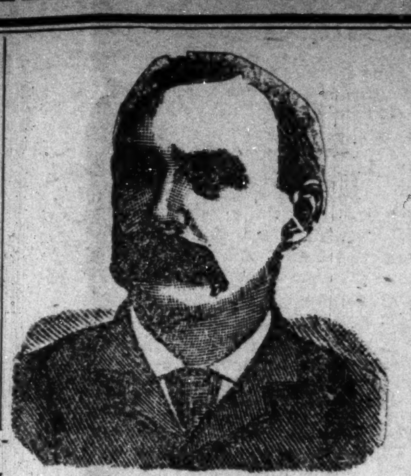

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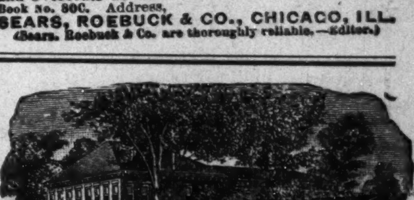

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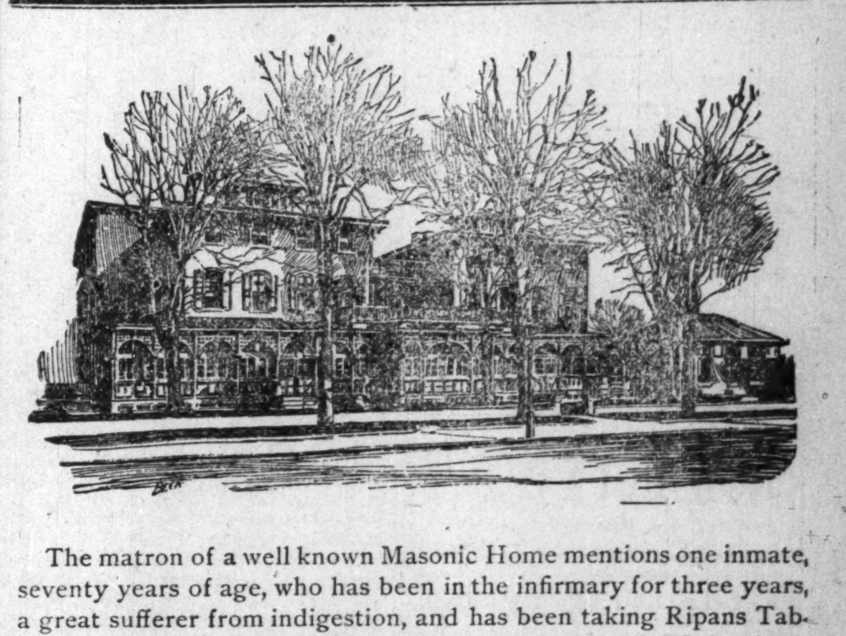

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..CITY NOTES..

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Old Maids Convention at Simpson Chapel Feb. 21.

Rev. Elam White, of Connersville, was in the city, last Tuesday.

Rev. G. H. White, of LaFayette, Ind., was a pleasant caller Wednesday.

Sukey Jerusha Henry at Simpson Chapel Feb. 21.

Mr. Warren La Rue, who has been in Jefferstown, Ky., for sometime was in the city this week enroute to Cleveland, O.

Attorney O. V. Royall is now located at room 45 Baldwin Block.

Glorious Gadabout Woods at Simpson Chapel Feb. 21.

The East End Sewing Circle, Mrs. Dora Payne captain, of Bethel A. M. E. church, served dinner and supper at 419 Indiana avenue last Thursday.

Hear the "Matrimonial Report" and the original poem on "Man" at the Old Maids Convention Feb. 21.

The Afro-American Council will meet at Jones Tabernacle corner of North and Blackford streets, at 8 p. m., Feb. 14, ill who are interested in the race are invited.

The Freeman is always on sale at the Bates House Barber Shop. Price 5c.

The ladies of the Second Christian church gave a literary and musical festival at that church last Tuesday evening, which proved to be quite a success, socially and financially.

Send 25 cents to Charles Alexander Huntsville, Ala., and receive a copy of One Hundred Distinguished Leaders.

Pro Bono after meals.

Hear the debate on "Man" Aff—Mehitable Cutright Scott. Neg—Jemima Jerusha Kates, at Simpson Chapel Feb. 21.

Miss Mary Simmons, of Scottsville, Ky., died at the home of her sister Mrs. Clarence Starks, 825 Muskingum street last Sunday. She was 20 years old and was very much respected in her home city. She was visiting in the city at the time of her death. Her body was taken to Scottsville for interment.

See—Victorious Dewey Sampson Serena Washington McKinley, Bandusia Maria Clark, Rebecca Bolinda Cooper, at Simpson Chapel Feb. 21.

Mr. Felix Davis, the president of the Propagandist Club is ill at his home 164 Bird street.

Don't forget the Pie Social on Feb. 22, George Washington birthday at 619 W. North street.

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Gentlemen should not fail to come and enjoy the pies made by the ladies of the Boquet Club, Thursday night Feb. 22.

Mrs. Lizzie Venable was suddenly called away to Chicago, Jan. 26, owing to the severe illness of her niece, Zadie Winchester Landon.

Mr. Harry Rutter, of Evansville, Ind, is in the city confering with Mr. E. B. Hampton in regards to taking charge of the business of the American Mutual Aid Association in Evansville.

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In loving remembrance of our own dear brother, Clifford Jones Crockett, who died Nov. 10th. 1899. Aged 5 yeaas.

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Three sad months since that fatal day,
When one we loved and dearly prized
Lay cold in death before our eyes.
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Yet oft we ask our aching hearts
Why weep we for him, who is in heaven-

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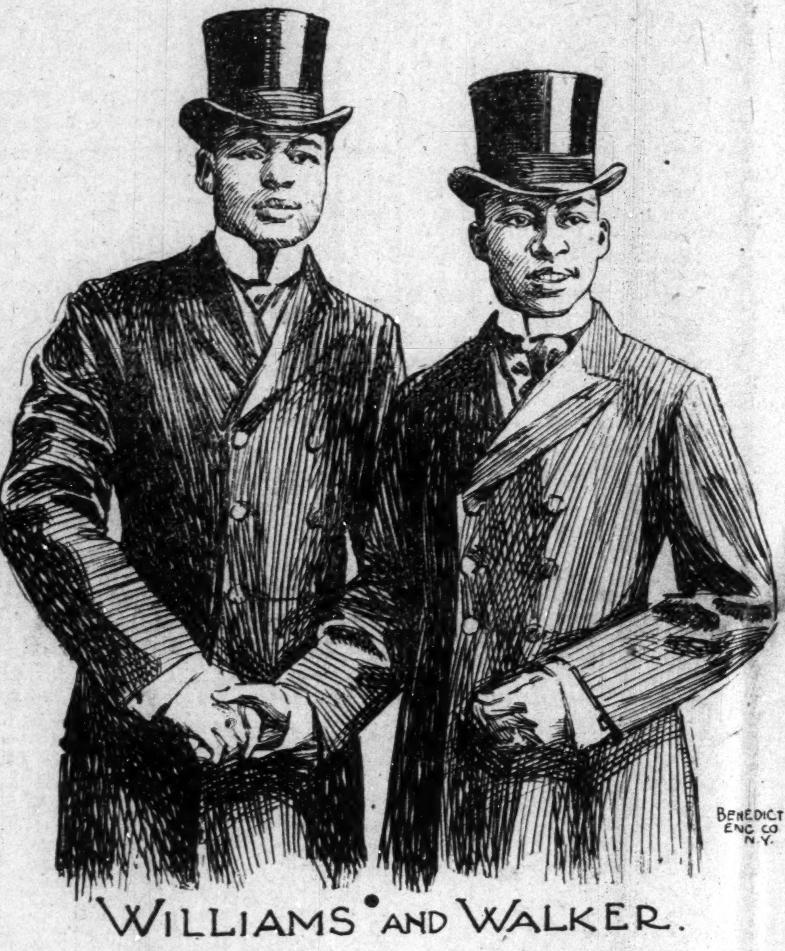
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A genuine "Coon" Musical Farce Comedy will be the attraction at the Park Theatre three days commencing Monday Feb. 12, with the colored team, Williams and Walker and their own big company as the exponents of this popular line of stage entertainments. The colored stars of the big organization, are really unrivalled in their class, and devotees of the Negro Specialties, should never miss the chance of seeing "The Two Real Coons" in their newest and latest successful novelty, 'The Policy Players." The Farce is made up of new specialty turns. A great deal of vocal music, comic and serious, and a number of oddities hard to describe, but nevertheless very funny and interesting. Williams and Walker are assisted by a company of picked talent, among which may be named, Miss Mattie Wilkes; the charming and beautiful Soprano Vocalist; Reese Bros., and Fred Douglass; the world's greatest Gun-Spinners and Manipulators, George Catlin, the only colored Chinese Impersonator on earth, Mallory Bros., and Miss Mazie Brooks, refined musical artists, Miss Lottie Thompson, the Misses Overton and Halliday, in a novel specialty, Ed Harris character comedian and a chorus of handsome colored girls, thirty in number with trained voices. The Musical Farce Comedy, which this immense company presents is in two acts, and Bert Williams appears as Dusty Cheapman, a Lottery Fiend from Thompsom Street, who eventually wins a lot of money, and desires to enter the swell colored society and is introduced by Happy Hotstuff, (George Walker) who engineers the scheme very successfully. The second act is a very elaborate scene on the lawn of the Astorbilt. It residence on the Hudson, and Mr. Readymoney, a Butler in the Astorbilt family, is anxious to become one of the Black 400, and Happy Hotstuff, a swell coon (George Walker) agree to furnish the means by which the coveted special distinction is acquired for five hundred dollars, and induces the aspirant for social honors to allow the affair to take place at the residence of his employer on the Hudson, by promising to have his personal friend, the Ex-President of Hayti (Bert Williams) stop on his tour around the world and grace the grand gathering of the Colored Four Hundred with his presence, which he finally succeeds in doing, and the Ex-President of Hayti is ushered in their presence amid many huzzas and Band playing, when many funny incidents occur; in this scene Williams and Walker introduce their great specialty, in which they have gained a world wide reputation. The company is under the direction of the Hustlers, Messrs. Hurting and Seamon, who have successfully piloted many enterprises, this in itself is as ure guarantee that this attraction is without a rival in artistic and financial success A car load of special scenery is carried by this company.

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Prof. Jas. A. Sterrett dancing class will have their last promenade at Mozart Hall Tuesday evening, Feb. 13. A grand time is anticipated. The genial professor will offer as one of the attractions of the evening "A Pie Feast." Come out and enjoy yourself. The Williams & Walker company have been invited to be present.

Wanted.

Wanted:—Lady roomers, board or without board perfect protection guaranteed. Mrs. Richardson 320 E. Vermont street.

The Married Ladies Enterprise Club was entertained Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Brown on N. Western avenue. Business was transacted and a good program was rendered. They will meet next Monday at the home of Mrs. Passmore, Oriental avenue.

Professors S. W. Stuart, Joseph Jackson and Peter Townsend, teachers in the public schools of Terre Haute, with their pupils paid a visit to The Freeman office last Saturday.

The Evangelic Rescue, and Manual Training Society held its Advisory Session, last evening behind closed doors. Anticipated plans was arranged for the promotion, and sustainance of the home, and school which are in full operation, at 515 S. Capital avenue. 3 inmates are already in the home and arrangements are being made, for more who have already applied. So far, the home is a complete success. A telephone No. 1, on 3144 has been put in the home, without any cost to the society. Rev. J. H. Washinton is much encouraged.

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Miss Ida Mae Tucker of 1952 Yandes street, who has been making her home with her grand parents Mr. and Mrs. Wilks Pope, at McClauesville, just South of the city, 5 miles, died last Thursday Feb. 1, after a little over a week's illness. The funeral was held at Prospect street church last Sunday, Rev. Simmons officiating.

R. H. Walker, jr., having assumed the city duties for The Freeman in Indianapolis has made 12600 calls within 60 days.

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